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the following contracts for

crude iron imports:

Supplier	Value	Quantity in Tons	Quantity Already Delivered in Tons	Payments Already Made
Exporttaikjern* Sweden	1,404,302 Swedish crowns	5,000	1,773.1	561,269.84
Impexmetall USSR	1,040,000 rubles	4,000	1,920.	--
Watenstedt Salzgitter, Germany	1,040,500 DM	6,000	820.	--
Commerzielle Chemie Zurich **	11,600 US \$	200	--	--
Promsyri Imp. USSR	42,580,000 rubles	35,550) 171,450) 3,000)	9,863.1) 31,404.6) 800.)	2,721,925.
Ferrometall, Berlin	103,750 DM 103,250 DM 54,450 DM 790,000 DM	700 350 300 4,500	-- 264.4 --	-- -- --

2. During the 1949/50 period, the Soviet Zone had concluded the following contracts:

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<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Quantity in Tons</u>
Klockner, Germany	4,230,000 DM	30,000
"	1,847,600 DM	12,500
Linzer Eisenhandels-GmbH	556,667.70 US \$	12,946
" (Austria)	156,480.00 US \$	3,260
Watenstedt	2,510,100 DM	17,000
Salzgitter, Germany		
Bremanger***	151,965.34 US \$	2,511
Norway		

A comparison of the two tables shows that for the current year 1951, the Soviet Zone has concluded contracts for three times more crude iron than it had during a comparable 1949/50 period. It also appears significant that the loss of Western suppliers is more than compensated for by imports from the Soviet Union.

3. All crude iron imported from the USSR into the Soviet Zone is distributed to the various factories by the Eisen-und Stahl-Grosshandel GmbH, Leipzig. The latter's ratio of distribution indicates that 55 per cent. of all USSR crude iron deliveries are distributed to SAG plants:

SAG Marten	72,682 tons
" AVO	39,810 "
" Transmasch	6,338 "
" Artovelo	100 "
All SAG plants	119,830 "
All VEB plants	92,000 "
	<u>211,830 tons</u>

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